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SPECIAL EDITOR'S NOTE: WOW! Where did this year go? Anyway, my family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, Teddy [TJ], Katie) and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday and Season's Greetings". Also, we would like thank the many who have contributed information over the year (there are too many to list). REMEMBER, without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. I would also thank the many who sent holiday greetings. I tried to answer some and wished I could answer each one of them individually, but it would take a huge amount of time. You would not believe the amount of E-mail I receive..... 73 and Have a Great Holiday de Tedd KB8NW

JUST A REMINDER! This will be the last week for qualifying to achieve the "**DXCC Millennium Award**" certificate by working 100 different DXCC entities on the ARRL DXCC List. This award is available for ARRL members and non-ARRL members. NO QSLs are required for this award. Details and "DXCC Millennium Award Application" can be found on the ARRL Web page: <http://www.arrl.org>

3D2/ZK1 ACTIVITY POSTPONED. Last week we mentioned that Dan, N6PEQ, would be active between December 20th and January 6th from Fiji and the South Cook Islands. However, several sources report now that Dan has **postponed** his operation and hopes to make the trip in the spring or summer of 2001.

3Y0, BOUVET. Astronaut Chuck Brady, N4BQW, continues to be active daily during various times mainly on 20/15/10 meters. His suggested frequencies are: 3795, 7095, 14195 (Rx split 14200-14210), 21295 (Rx split 21300- 21310) and 28495 kHz (Rx split 28500-28510). Also mentioned were 1.8 MHz and 50 MHz which will become operational later and only by pre-arrangement with 3Y0C. His activity has been mainly SSB, but when asked about CW he replied that it will also be covered later. Currently, Chuck is running 700 watts into a G5RV antenna. He has Yagi beams, but these will be installed later. His pilot station is Dennis Wells, ZS1AU. QSL via WA4FFW. Also, watch the following Web page for updates:
<http://www.qsl.net/zr1dq/>

4U, UNITED NATIONS HQ. The station **4U1UN** was once again active this past weekend. This time the operator was Fritz, DL4TT, and he was active 80/30/20 meters.

5X, UGANDA. Graham, **5X1GS**, was active on 28370 kHz between 1030 and 1300z listening split. QSL via WB2YQH.

7Q, MALAWI. Kaz, **7Q7KZ**, has been active on 21290 and 28450 kHz. Check after 1200z and again after 1800z. QSL via JA2LZF.

9M6, EASTERN MALAYSIA. Peter, PB4CC, is expected to be active from **Sarawak** as **9M8CC** now **through January 6th**. His activity is to be sporadic on 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters. QSL via PB4CC: Peter F. Borsboom, De Kroon 10, NL-3181MD Rozenburg-ZH, The Netherlands. For updates, check his Web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/pb4cc/>

A5, BHUTAN. Glenn/W0GJ and his son Mark/N0MJ of the 2000 A52A DXpedition will once again be on the air. This time they will use their own personal callsign **A52GJ** and **A52MJ**. Activity will be **between December 29th and the early part of February**.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Reports state that Mike/DL2OE and Hans/DL7CM will be active **February 20th through March 5th** as **C56/homecall**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW, SSB and RTTY, using only 150 watts. QSL via their respective homecall.

DU, PHILIPPINES. "The 59(9) DX Report" reports that Sam, LA5FHA, will be active as **DU1/LA5FHA** until **January 20th**. Activity will be on all bands CW and SSB. QSL via LA5FHA.

DX EDITOR RETIRES. Michael, **DJ5AV**, of the "**DX Newsletter**" reports that he is finished being the editor of this DX bulletin after four years of work. He states that he would like to spend more time with his family, with travelling and with DXing. OPDX would like to wish Michael the best and thank him for his past input to the OPDX bulletin and DX community. There was no mention if anyone at DARC would pickup the editor's position.

FO & FO0/M, FRENCH POLYNESIA AND MARQUESAS. Look for Wulf/DL1AWI, Mat/DL5XU, Peter/DL3APO and his wife Birgit/DG0OBN to operate from **Rangiroa (OC-066)** in the Tuamotu Archipelago group from **January 27th through February 10th**. Peter informs OPDX that he will celebrate his birthday there! After this activity, only Wulf and Mat will go to **Nuku Hiva, Marquesas (OC-027)**, and be active from **February 11-28th**. They will be active on 160-10 meters CW, SSB and some RTTY, also probably SSTV. Peter states that in their baggage are 2 FT-890, 1-kW-PA, vertical, wire and TITANEX LP 5 antenna. The callsigns are unsure, but they hope to use Wulf's, **FO0AWI**, and/or Mat's, **FO0XUU**, callsign from their 1999 operation or CEPT license **FO(0)/homecall**. Logs will be available after their activity at the following Web page: <http://www.radioklub.de/cgcg/> QSL the Rangiroa operation via the bureau or direct to DL3APO: Peter Kohde, Wurgwitzer Str. 36, 01187 Dresden, GERMANY. QSL the Marquesas operation via the bureau or direct to DL1AWI: Wolfgang Ziegler, Arno-Schlothauer-Str. 15, 99842 Ruhla, GERMANY

IOTA NEWS.....

- **OC-135.** Steve, VK8AM/VK4EMS, is now operating from **Bougainville Island** as

P29BI in his very limited spare time. He will be active on all bands (except 160m) CW/SSB **until the end of January**. He was spotted on 14010 and 7005 kHz after/around 0945z. QSL to VK4EJ: Bernie McIvor, 30 Brennan Parade, Strathpine QLD 4500, AUSTRALIA.

JD, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Katsumi, **JD1BCK**, has been keeping the folks happy on 15 meters SSB after 2330z. QSL via JM1TUK.

JY, JORDAN. Ali, **JY4NE**, has been active on 10 meters between 28400 and 28420 kHz between 1230 and 1530z. He then moves to 20 meters after 2300z. QSL via KB6NAN.

MILLENNIUM ACTIVITY. Look for "Millennium" station **EI2000** to operate over the holidays. The station will be activated by the Emerald Isle Contest and DX Group (EI9I) on Christmas Day, **December 25th**, and New Year's Eve, **December 31st**. Operations will take place in the western part of Ireland on HF, CW, SSB and PSK31. This special callsign was assigned by Irish authorities to mark the Year 2000. QSL via the bureau.

MW2, WALES. David/WW2R, RJ/GW5NF and Tim/G4VXE will be active as **MW2I** on RTTY during the **ARRL RTTY Contest, January 6-7th**. All QSLs go to WW2R.

NEW OFFICERS. The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWDXA) is pleased to announce the officers for 2001:

President-for-life: Bob Eslaire, W9UI
Vice President: Rick Burdick, K8WWA
Secretary: Don DuBon, N6JRL
Treasurer: Steve Bolia. N8BJQ

They will be announcing the particulars for the 2001 Dayton DX Dinner soon.

OD, LEBANON. Puzant, **OD5NH**, in Beirut has been active on 75/17/12/10 meters during the past week. Check 10 and 12 meters on SSB between 1530 and 1730z. Check 18145 kHz after 1730z. He was heard on 3799 kHz around 0045z. QSL via: Puzant Azirian, P.O. Box 80903, Beirut, Lebanon. OD5NJ was also active. He was 28515 for about an hour between 1430 and 1530z.

P5, NORTH KOREA. The much anticipated operation which was going to take place next week (**January 7th**) may not happen. "The Daily DX" reported the following this week: "The much-anticipated multi-national North Korean operation, which was announced in mid October, which was first scheduled for late October then early January 2001, **has been scrapped**. The North Korean Organization for Army support is now refusing the use of any transmitting equipment during the Official Opening of the Educational center, which was scheduled to take place on January 7, 2001. Obviously this is a disappointment to the organizers of **P5UK** and the DX community."

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Once again your editor (KB8NW) must repeat that I am **NOT** or have ever been the QSL Manager for **5R8O**. Same databases continue to have me listed as manager. Please correct. The QSL Manager for 5R8O is via 5R8FL, Box 5005, Tananarive, Madagascar.

- Ben, PA3EPG, reports that he is now the new QSL Manager for **4K9C** (Boris). Boris operates CW most of the time. Ben states that he has the logs from October 30, 2000 and later. If you needed 4K9C confirmed after that date please send the QSL card to him. He is also QSL Manager for 4K5CW. His address is: Ben van Leeuwen, Zwolseweg 57, 8181 AC Heerde, The Netherlands.
- Gabriel, CU3AN, states that after January 1, 2001, he will accept ONLY direct QSLs. The reason given, "THE BUREAU IS VERY COSTLY" and the Azores do not have a bureau. The bureau for the Azores is via Portugal/Lisbon.
- Abdollah Sadjadian, EP2FM, informs OPDX that he has received many reports via E-mails that many QSL cards over the last 3 years sent to him have failed to arrive. He states that he always sends out replies the same day he receives a card direct. So, if you have not received your QSL Abdollah wants to know via E-mail at: as@neda.net
- Ronaldo, PS7AB, reports that the Brazilian amateur radio addresses search engine is available at: <http://www.cwsp.org.br/callsrch.htm> The database is updated by the users and it intends to be as trustful as possible.
- QSL information for **TI9JJP** is via TI2JJP: Jose Pastora, P.O Box 2048-2050, Costa Rica, America Central.

SPECIAL EVENT. Special event station **K1D** will be active **now through January 6th** to celebrate **Kid's Day** (January 6th) and Amateur Radio Awareness. Look activity on 28400, 21310, 14270 and 7230 kHz. The operators will be Peter/ W1DAD and Jeanne/K1MOM Schipelliti, 7 Dearborn Ridge Rd, Atkinson, NH 03811, USA.

SPECIAL EVENT (Update). Last week we mentioned that Frank, N5VT, would be active as a special event station to celebrate the "**Battle of New Orleans**" during **January 1-10th** (2001). He informs OPDX that the callsign to be used will be **N5T**. QSL via N5VT w/SASE. (Please refer to [OPDX.490](#))

SU, EGYPT. Frosty, K5LBU (aka 9J2CF/9L1CF/3DA0CF/etc...), reports that he will be going to Cairo to visit with Andre, ZS6WPX, who is trying to get a SU9 callsign. If he does not get the SU callsign, he will operate from **SU1ER** as a guest operator. Andre will be here until July.

T8, PALAU. "QRZ DX" reports that Koji, JK7TKE, should be active this week as **T88TU** from Belau (**OC-009**) between **December 27-31st**. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. QSL to JK7TKE, via the JARL bureau or direct to: Koji Fukui, 1840-5, Izumi-cho, Tokorozawa-city, Saitama 359-1112, Japan.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Volkmar, DF2SS, will be active as **V47SS** now **through January 6th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, plus 6 meters. He was spotted this past weekend on 3505 kHz at 0215z, 7008 kHz after 0230z, 18075 kHz around 1930z, 14009 kHz at 0355z and 10106 kHz after 2315z and again after 0400z. He states that he will be looking for JA stations beginning 2130z on 14008 kHz. QSL via DL2MDZ, via DARC bureau or CBA (ok in the latest CB CD only): Rainer Kuehnberger, DL2MDZ, Hofer Str. 54, D-95233 Helmbrechts, Germany.

VK9/C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS. A few sources reports that Ed, AA4EH, is expected to spend a few days here as **VK9CEH**. Activity will last **until December 30th**, mostly on CW on 160-10 meters. Check the lower bands during his sunrise/sunset. QSL via AA4EH.

XV/3W, VIETNAM. There is plenty of activity from here. Shim, **XV3AA**, has been active on 15 meters SSB. Check around 21220 and 21270 kHz after 0000z. QSL via JA6UGH. Tom, **3W7CW**, has been active on 40/30/20/15 meters CW between 1500 and 1630z. QSL via SP5JTF. Also, look for **3W6LI** on 20 and 10 meters SSB. Check 14185 kHz around 2200z and 28448 kHz after 0900z. QSL via IK2DUW.

XW, LAOS. Mauro, IN3QBR, informs OPDX that by the time you read this he will have left Shianoukville (were he was active as XU7AAZ) and arrive in **Vientiane**, Laos. He states that he should be active on the air during the afternoon of **December 27th** as **XW3QBR**.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html>

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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